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"DEGREES OF GLORY"

Isaac B. Ball of the High Council was the speaker at the Stake Priesthood meeting, Sept. 25. Elder Ball discoursed on "the three degrees of glory" as recorded in section 76 of the Doc. & Cov.

This vision, given to Joseph Smith and Sidney Rigdon in 1832, is also called the "second chance" revelation, for it vouchsafed to humanity a "second chance for salvation" said Elder Ball. "When first this vision was published" said the speaker, "some apostatized and many turned from the Church, because its doctrine was so new and contradictory to the dogmas of all sects of that day."

All mankind will be saved, and in this sense, Latter-day Saints are universalists, declared the speaker. Only the "sons of perdition" will be outside the far reaching grace as revealed in this wonderful vision.

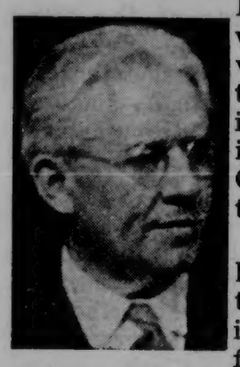
The Celestial kingdom has three degrees within its bounds. Candidates for this kingdom, the highest and greatest of all, were noted as those who (1) received the testimony of Jesus; (2) believed on his name, (3) were baptized by burial in water in his name; (4) kept all his commandments, so they might be washed and cleansed from sin; (5) and received the Holy Spirit by laying on of hands of him who is ordained and sealed to this power; (6) overcome by faith and are sealed by the Holy Spirit of Promise. Elder Ball contended that there are no qualifications of breeding, worldly scholarship, leadership, or property for this kingdom; only complete Gospel living in humility brings entrance to the celestial glory.

The Terrestrial kingdom, a marvelous glory, will open (1) for the hosts who have died without law; (2) for those spirits in prisin for rejecting the Gospel, who later accept it; (3) honorable men, and (4) Saints who are not valiant. This group, "saints not valiant," challenges the whole Church, declared Elder Ball. Fear of men, love of ease, reputation, wealth, comforts, and lusts of the flesh take possession of their souls, said Ball, therefore many Latter-day Saints will miss the Celestial glory forever, because they "proved not valiant in the testimony of Jesus."

The Terrestrial glory will be for those not resurrected when Christ comes, but who must wait until the end of the Millenium. All not assigned to the other kingdoms, will go to this "glory of the stars," and will include the mean, narrow, contentious sectarians and partisians of all sorts. They are contrasted to the honorable men, who being deceived, are still standing for principle and goodness, whereever found. These are worthy of terrestial association with Christ. The former are those who claim they performed many miracles in his name, but to whom Jesus tersely replies, "Depart from me, ye workers of iniquity, for I never knew you." Those who inherit the telestial glory, will never be privileged to see the Father nor the Son, "worlds without end" but can enjoy only the visits of angels sent from the higher glories.

Elder Ballard at Stake Conference

Stake Quarterly Conference and annual M. I. A. Convention was held Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 24-25. Elder Melvin J. Ballard of the Quorum of the Twelve, and the General Superintendency of the Y. M. M. I. A., and Pres. Ruth May Fox of the Y. L. M. I. A. General Board, were in attendance. Both addressed themselves to M. I. A. work, giving detailed instructions as to carrying out the extensive Mutual program of leisure-time guidance. All meetings were crowded, and at the Sunday sessions, even standing room was at a premium. The conference was held in the Oakland chapel, except the final session which convened in the Hayes St. chapel, San Francisco.



At the Priesthood meeting, Saturday evening, Elder Ballard spoke of marriage, urging members to marry within the Church. "Be ye not unequally yoked together" he quoted in reciting that 80 percent of the mixed marriages were failures. "You cannot afford to take that risk: marry those who believe as you do," said Elder Ballard. At the final session the Apostle addressed himself to the Word of Wisdom, pleading for the youth of Zion to keep this heavenly mandate for their own good health and personal efficiency. He told of how science had definitely proved the truth of each word of revelation given a century ago to Joseph Smith.

Elder Ballard was also the speaker on the stake radio broadcast over KTAB. Musical numbers rendered throughout the conference were unusually good. The Oakland ward choir, directed by Robert Sant, and the Berkeley Ladies trio rendered numbers in the Sunday afternoon session. In the morning session, it was a radio artists hour. Edmund Evans, KPO, led the congregational singing, while Ray Engebretsen, Lurline Tucker and Nelle Macdonald of KTAB, and the Driggs Sisters of KLX gave numbers. Elder Ballard, as chairman of the Church Music Committee paid tribute to the quality of the conference music. Responding to numerous requests he sang "Beautiful Zion for Me." Following are excerpts from Elder Ballard's sermons:

"I bring you words of comfort and encouragement from the authorities of the Church. This is no time for you to lose your faith, or to enter into a spirit of despair. This is the time when you need your religion as never before. It is the time when the wisdom of the wise truly has perished and the understanding of the prudent has been hid.

"This Church is the seventh largest Christian Church in the United States today, but there is not another one whose percentage of growth equals that of this Church. The hundredth anniversary of this Church marked the very year that the Presbyterian and Methodist faiths first lost membership. Last year the Presbyterians lost over 22,000, while the Methodists lost in excess of 43,000 members. And the great Catholic Church, with sixteen million members in the United States, has a growth of only a few above 17,000, while we had a growth of more than 22,000. There are 25,000 churches vacant, without pastor or congregation. In the same period we have built three temples, and meeting houses and tabernacles all over the land, and no matter how large we have built, it is the same as here today, they're crying give us room that we may enter here.

"The Lord has been at work fighting the battles of truth; otherwise it is doubtful wherther we could have survived. More human progress has occurred in the one hundred years of this Church's existence than in all the ages of time combined. Why all these wonderful and marvellous things in our day and age? God has decreed it. They're God's secrets that men have discovered. The doors have been opened and man's intelligence has been allowed to grasp His truths. More progress has been made in your lifetime and mine than in all the ages from Adam until now.

"Is God at work? Yes, and moving for a definite purpose and to a definite end. When He laid the foundations of this earth, He prepared for the coming of His Son, Jesus Christ. But He never would have come a hundred years ago. All the progress since that time has had to happen. I declare to you that greater changes will occur in the next fifty years than have taken place in the last hundred. Yes, twice as great. The Lord is at work.

"Now is the day to arise and shine. Now the time to demonstrate the power and strength in the real Gospel of Jesus Christ. It is in this Church. Now is the time for Latter Day Saints to live their religion and show the world what it means to be a follower of Christ. For this Gospel has the power to settle all these controversies that arise. We have the power of the Holy Ghost that has brought men from every nation in the world and made them as brothers living together.

"In II Nephi, 28:18, we are told the peril now before the Latter-day Saints. The peril of being flattered away into an idle security and only partially keeping the commandments of God.

"I plead with you now to arise and shine, and live as the sons of God; and I promise you, in the name of the Lord, deliverance. I

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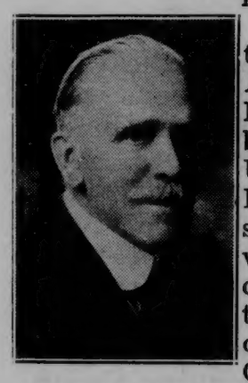
Dr. Jos. F. Merrill, Church commissioner of education, was sustained as the new apostle at the October conference. Chosen by the First Presidency and the Council of the Twelve, he was unanimously sustained by the people to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Apostle Orson F. Whitney.



Elder Merrill is the son of the late Apostle Marriner W. Merrill, and was born in Richmond, Utah 62 years ago. His life has been spent in educational work, and scholastically has received the highest training of any man in the Church. Ever steadfast in his faith in the Gospel he has done much to bring closer harmony between science and religion. For 25 years he was dean of engineering at the University of Utah. He started the seminary work in the Church, and three years ago was named commissioner of education, succeeding Dr. Adam S. Bennion.

He was first counsellor to Pres. Frank Y. Taylor of the Granite Stake for several years, and has been a member of the General Board of Y. M. M. I. A. His first wife died leaving six children. The present Mrs. Merrill, he met and converted to the Church while doing post graduate study at an eastern university. She came into the home and reared the six motherless children as her own.

Elder Merrill's high educational training, his long years of active service in the church, and his strong and abiding faith in the truth of the Gospel, have especially fitted him for his new calling as a member of the Council of Twelve Apostles.

BOY KILLED

Climaxing a string of accidents to Latter-day Saints of the Stake, came the death of little Ralph Wilson, age 5, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Wilson of the San Francisco ward, Sunday evening, Oct. 25. The child was almost instantly killed when he was run over by an automobile in front of the family home at 643-33rd Avenue. The tragic accident happened just as the final session of conference convened, and the grandmother, Mrs. Clara McAuley, sat throughout the meeting unaware that death had taken her beloved grandchild. The hit-runner, conscience-striken, surrendered to police the next day.

On Oct. 12, J. George Haddock of the Stake High Council, was most painfully burned when a pot of hot metal exploded in a foundry in Oakland showering his face and body with the molten metal. Miraculously his life was saved, and he is rapidly recovering in an Oakland hospital.

In a freak accident, Oct. 17, in which his auto overturned, Paul Carruth, 26, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph T. Carruth of Oakland, escaped death, but lies in a serious condition in the Berkeley hospital.

On the same evening, an automobile crash demolished the auto of Wm. A. Moody of Berkeley and sent Mrs. Fannie C. Wessman who was riding with him, to a hospital with painful injuries. She is recovering slowly.

Robert Sant, Oakland ward chorister, made the gruesome discovery of his dead landlady, who had hanged herself in a vacant garage, in rear of his apartment in Oakland. According to the coroner, she had been dead two weeks. Sant now has a new address.

NEW EDITOR

Prof. Harrison R. Merrill of the B. Y. U. has been named editor of the Improvement Era, succeeding the late Pres. Hugh J. Cannon. A real boys' man, profound in the Gospel, he is a graduate of the Columbia school of Journalism, and for the several years past has been a regular contributor to the Era. He is a native of Cache valley and has been a member of the Stake presidency of the Oneida stake. Before going to B. Y. U. he was principal of the Oneida academy.

EX-COMMUNICATION:

This is to certify that by the action of the High Council of the San Francisco Stake Zion, on Sunday October 11, 1931, Ernest Melvin Morris, an elder of record in the Richmond ward, San Francisco Stake, was excommunicated from the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints for conduct violative of the law and order of the said Church.

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"Behold, I will send my messenger, and he shall prepare the way before me; and the Lord whom ye seek, shall suddenly come to his temple."—Mal. 3:1

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"THE SECOND COMING OF CHRIST"

The time of "the second coming" has always been a matter of great interest in all ages to believers in Christ. It is of double interest to Latter-day Saints since we are, in this age, charged with the responsibility of making due preparation for this unprecedented event. Promises of His coming to rule and reign personally upon the earth have been made in all ages of the Bible scriptures. Additional promises are recorded in the holy records which are particularly new to this generation—The Book of Mormon; Doctrine and Covenants; Pearl of Great Price.

To this generation, the Lord said in November, 1830: "Cry repentance unto a crooked and perverse generation, preparing the way of the Lord for his second coming.

"For, behold, verily, verily, I say unto you, the time is soon at hand, when I shall come in a cloud with power and great glory."—D. & C. 34:6-7.

Saints are looking forward with faith to the fulfillment of these precious promises concerning his coming. They remember that the Lord has said of His scriptures, that, "The prophecies and promise which are in them shall all be fulfilled."—D. & C. 1:37.

This very looking forward is, furthermore, one of the hallmarks of the true Latter-day Saint, for the Lord has said, "And it shall come to pass that he that feareth me shall be looking forth for the great day of the Lord to come, even for the signs of the coming of the Son of man."—D. & C. 45:39.

The magnitude and majesty of this great event is of such far-reaching concern that it is not surprising that it is so much in the thoughts and discussion of the people in perplexing times, like the present. Such discussions cannot fail to be profitable if directed by the Spirit of the Lord. That such guidance is available is evident by the statement made to some of God's servants, one hundred years ago. "And unto you it shall be given to know the signs of the times, and the signs of the coming of the Son of man."—D. & C. 68:11.

The exact time of our Master's coming has not been revealed to man. "But of the hour and the day no man knoweth neither the angels in heaven, nor shall they know until he comes."—D. & C. 49:7.

The Master has, however, both directly, while on the earth, and through his prophets, indicated the signs and conditions which are to prevail prior to this great event. Records of these predictions and promises are found in all our sacred scripture. That His coming will be delayed beyond the time, many expect is evident from the tenor of the scriptures. "They shall say that Christ delayeth His coming until the end of the earth."—D. & C. 45:46.

The Stake Presidency urge all Saints in the San Francisco Stake to keep ever before them the parable of the ten virgins, and remember, what the Author of this parable has said for our guidance in this dispensation. "Wherefore be faithful, praying always, having your lamps trimmed and burning, and oil with you, that you may be ready at the coming of the bridegroom. For behold, verily, verily, I say unto you that I come quickly."—D. & C. 33:17-18.

"Even so come, Lord Jesus."—Rev. 22:20.

ERA EDITOR DIES

Hugh J. Cannon, editor of the Improvement Era for the past four years, died in Salt Lake City, Oct. 6, following an operation for gall stones. For 25 years he was president of the Liberty Stake, and twice presided over the Swiss-German missions several years ago. A son of Geo. Q. Cannon, and a full brother of Frank J. Cannon, "the embittered," he was an earnest and loyal Latter-day Saint. He was also a brother of Jos. J. Cannon, present editor of the Deseret News, and Presiding Bishop Sylvester Q. Cannon. Funeral services were held in the great Tabernacle, Oct. 9, Pres. Heber J. Grant being one of the speakers who paid high tribute to the deceased.

CHURCH BOOKS

A display of Church publications has been installed in the Oakland chapel, so that Saints may secure desired books without delay and inconvenience of sending to Salt Lake. To encourage a wider reading of our Church books, the plan was inaugurated by the High Council. That it is filling a longfelt want was evidenced by the great number of books distributed at the last conference.

"The interest manifest by the people," said Chairman Geo. Bagley, "far exceeded our expectations. It just proves that our people are hungry for our Church books." I. B. Ball and Fred Hoeft are the other members of the book committee.

Priesthood Quorums

High Priests

The High Priests' Presidency extend thanks and congratulations for the loyal support of quorum members in the recent Improvement Era campaign. We are proud of the work accomplished by High Priests putting the Stake "over the top."—Henry E. Thomson, president.

SEVENTIES

To effect greater quorum efficiency, Apostle Ballard, re-arranged the order of the presidents of the 222nd quorum of Seventy. They were then sustained in conference, as follows:

Sidney P. Kelley, R. A. Lakness, Von T. Ellsworth, Oscar Fontano, M. A. Hammer, Alex. D. Edgar, Edgar L. Morgenegg.

ELDERS

Organization of the Elders quorum presidency has been completed, and was sustained as follows: Delbert F. Wright, president; Floyd Bevan, first counselor; Cyrus L. Clark, second counselor.

PRIESTHOOD MEETINGS

Stake Priesthood Meeting, Saturday evening, Nov. 28th at 7:30. All quorums of both Melchizedek and Aaronic priesthood requested to be present. Special Gospel Doctrine will be discussed.

GENEALOGICAL

San Francisco Stake now has a departmentalized genealogical union meeting, on the second Sunday of each month, at 2:30 p. m., Oakland chapel. Ward committees are urged to have representatives for the following departments: class instruction, Secretary and survey, research, temple work, excursions, dues, membership, book of remembrance, and social activities. The success of this meeting will depend upon ward cooperation. Bishops should make regular announcement of this monthly meeting. Ward committees are invited to bring their problems to these union meetings. The Stake Board will be glad to assist when needed if general public meetings are arranged.

Births

A SON to Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Morgenegg of Mission, Sept. 21.

A SON to Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy W. Lambert of San Francisco, Sept. 25.

A DAUGHTER to Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Aldridge of Oakland, Sept 25.

A DAUGHTER to Mr. and Mrs. Merle Harkins of Dimond, Oct. 4.

A DAUGHTER to Mr. and Mrs. Delbert F. Wright of Elmhurst, Oct. 6.

A DAUGHTER to Mr. and Mrs. Garney V. Johnson of Alameda, Oct. 10.

A SON to Mr. and Mrs. Ray T. Lindsay of Mission, Oct. 17.

A DAUGHTER born to Mr. and Mrs. Nathan G. Tolman of Elmhurst.

A DAUGHTER born to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Grix of Elmhurst, Oct. 20.

A SON born to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph T. Baer of Oakland, Oct. 12.

Marriages

Virginia Christophersen and Dale Hill of Mission were married Sept. 16.

Eva Claire Bigler and Harrison Odbert of Berkeley were married Sept. 23.

June Hall and Albert M. Sherwood, married Sept. 26 by Bishop Nalder of San Francisco.

Anna Anderson and Richard A. Manwaring of Salt Lake were married Oct. 2 by Bishop Nalder of San Francisco.

Iona B. Goodsell and Carl E. Carlson of Sunset ward, Bishop Carl Kjar officiating, Oct. 14.

Mildred Peterson and Ernest Boesgiter of San Francisco, Oct. 17, Bishop C. W. Nalder officiating.

Lucille Davey and Ralph Noakes, both of Oakland, were married Oct. 17 by Pres. W. Aird Macdonald.

Clara Redfield and Evic Bucciarelli of Richmond were married Oct. 27.

Elder Ballard—Con't.

care not who you are, if you keep His commandments He will deliver you and you shall see better days and meet your obligations, if only you will serve Him. Then go and ask Him for blessings and He will not refuse you. Yes, the Lord Almighty is at work.

SUNDAY MORNING:

"In making an appeal for greater religion, or greater spirituality, I shall include the several and various organizations of the Church, and, indeed, all you teachers and workers in the Lord's ministry.

"The church is depending upon our ability to save our own natural growth. Since we have four times as many children born in the Church as compared with the number of converts we make, our task is a tremendous one. Our converts are continually increasing, but our real future growth depends upon our ability to hold our own natural increase.

"I am convinced that all teachers need some burning testimony that this is God's work, the same as the convert in the missionary field must have, and we appeal to you workers to bring into all our various programs, greater spirituality, for, "the letter killeth, but the spirit giveth life." No matter how much these programs bring to you, they're the letter after all, and you teachers and leaders must furnish the spirit.

"Your lip service is not sufficient: you must do more than that. The Lord has told us we shall not teach unless we teach under the influence of the Spirit. The gift and power of the Holy Ghost that is your right to enjoy, should be your companion when you teach.

"As a teacher and leader, have you interested our youth? Your lip story may not touch them, but if your own heart is touched, then you can make them feel what you feel yourself. That is what we mean by greater spirituality in your teaching. That our youth may have contact with our spirit. Oh, how important that is.

"Sometimes we wonder why teachers, Bishops and other leaders in the Church fail, who seem to have all the natural qualifications and yet lack that something which makes for success. They're like the steam engine, ready for service, but of little power without steam in it; and there is no steam until the water boils, and it doesn't boil until heated to about 212 degrees. The trouble with us is that we only get about 100 degrees hot on the job. Some of us get almost to 200 degrees, but how few of us get to the boiling point. When are you at the boiling point? When doing your job with all your might, mind and strength; then something will be doing.

"Dickens said he had been guided by this principle, and I have adopted it as one for my own conduct: 'He never set his hand to do a thing that was not worthy of his putting the whole force of his being into that enterprise.' I never take a job and do it half-heartedly. The Lord has no love for such work.

"Fall in love with your job; put your whole power—all you possess into it. If you do, you will be so in love with it that you will think it the best job in the world. When you love it, you will induce others to love it. I am sure of this, however, that you cannot teach that which you do not love. We stand between God and man and thus we may lead them to Him by our lives. Men came to the Savior to see what God was like; we stand to show men what Christ was like. My greatest sermon is the sermon of my life."

NEW MISSIONARIES

Two young men from the Stake are off for mission fields. Elder J. E. Raine of Mission ward sailed Oct. 28 from San Francisco for the Society Islands, a French possession in the South Pacific. Elder Stanley Carr of Oakland left for the Eastern States, Oct. 30. Both young men spoke briefly at the recent Stake conference.

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AUXILIARY ACTIVITIES

SUNDAY SCHOOL

The banner for September efficiency was awarded again to the Dimond Sunday School. The unusually high percentage of 97.45 was achieved by this winning school. Berkeley, with 90.65 was second, and this school is to be congratulated because of the marked improvement shown over any previous month of the year. Third place goes to Mission with 87.-78. These "Missionites" are determined to get the banner and are putting up a good fight to do just this.

On account of the Stake quarterly conference being held on Sunday, October 25th, our October union meeting will be held in Oakland on Sunday, November 1st. Every Sunday School worker is encouraged to attend. At this union meeting our new plans for Teacher's training will be outlined. A lecture will also be delivered on the subject for November, which is "Learning and doing." We expect to improve the calibre of teaching in our Sunday Schools by the special teacher's training course which is to be given, and to which special students are called; and also by our course in Union Meeting for teachers already active in Sunday School work.

PRIMARY

The Play Meeting for the East Bay Primaries will be held Saturday, October 27 at 2 p. m. in the Oakland Chapel. A similar meeting for the West Bay Primaries will be held Saturday, November 7, at 2 p. m. in the Hayes St. Chapel.

The Balboa Primary won the Primary Efficiency Cup for the last Quarter. Oakland followed a close second. We are expecting big things from Oakland.

The Primary Stake Board is planning for a dinner and musical program at the Mary Dowd Reardon Studios. The date will be announced later.

RELIEF SOCIETY

We enjoyed a rare privilege at conference, Oct. 11 by having Louise Y. Robison, president of all Relief Societies with us. Sister Robison was accompanied by Julia A. Child, counselor in the presidency. They brought us encouragement, inspiration and definite instructions for our coming winter's work.

The main point of all conference meetings was relief or charity work—how to best solve our problems of securing funds with which to relieve distress and how to reach those in need.

Our message for this month is dual: 1—Magazine. 2—Charity Fund.

One year ago we raised our magazine subscriptions from 169 to 273. Those subscriptions are expiring right now. Let us get to work so that we may give every woman in the Stake a real service—that of placing the magazine in her home.

Up to date our fund for charity is low. There are still two months of the current year to raise this fund. We trust that each Relief Society teacher will be sure that every home on her beat is visited, and that each family in the Stake will feel a joy in their privilege of doing their full share of charity work through this organization. Don't wait for the teacher to remind you that she accepts such donations. We know we should give and give regularly.

RECREATION

First event of the new recreation season was the grand ball and rally for the B. Y. U. football squad at the Hotel Whitcomb, Sept. 24. More than 400 were present and enjoyed a fine evening of dancing. Under the able direction of Dr. J. A. Fitzgerald, the initial social was a splendid success.

The first Stake party in the East Bay was held in Elmhurst, Oct. 16 and was another successful affair. Good music and a large group representative from all wards, made for an enjoyable time. Larry W. Folsom heads the East Bay Stake committee.

The third stake party will be held at the Palace Hotel, Friday, Oct. 30. A large crowd of both young and old are expected at this informal affair.

Recreational events scheduled for Friday evenings in November:
Nov. 6—Oakland.
Nov. 13—Elmhurst.
Nov. 20—Berkeley.
Nov. 27—San Francisco.

M. I. A.

Mutual union meeting, Sunday, Nov. 8, at 2:30 p. m.

Congratulations and best wishes to the new Burlingame M. I. A. just organized. Harold Ohran and Elizabeth Koeplin will lead the two Mutuals.

The first requisite of a successful organization is membership.

W. Glenn Harmon, stake superintendent of Y. M. M. I. A. graduate of University of California, formerly County attorney at Price, Utah, now practicing attorney in San Francisco. Resides at 1501 Spruce St., Berkeley. Tel. Ashberry 4289.

Clarissa Barton Mahoney, president of stake Y. L. M. I. A. was first counseolr to Pres. Trieste Hall last year; member of Sunset ward. Resides at 1309-10th Avenue, San Francisco. Tel. Lockhaven 4504.

Over the Top!

In the Era Drive, the Stake went bounding over the top with a 12 percent victory. The M. I. A. officers report 403 subscriptions.

Congratulations, and hearty thanks to all who assisted in this fine work. Honor has been brought to the San Francisco Stake.

Stake Presidency

This important problem has been assigned to the member of the Presidency and those department leaders having charge of class studies. Our work as M. I. A. officers is not complete until every member of Mutual age has been contacted and become an active member of the M. I. A. Our program has been prepared so as to satisfy the great fundamental human urges. Therefore, there is in the M. I. A. program something that will appeal to everyone.

The project for the Young Men's Mutual this year is the correlation program adopted last spring by the Church for the boys from ages 12-20.

John D. Giles of the Ensign stake High Council has been appointed general field worker in the correlation program for the Aaronic priesthood.

The Era campaign has been an outstanding success, although the end is not yet. The stake totals to date are 403 subscriptions, or 12 percent. Here are ward totals:

Balboa, 38 subs.—16 percent; Berkeley, 50 subs.—11 percent; Burlingame, 29 subs.—29 percent; Dimond, 75 subs.—19 percent; Elmhurst, 22 subs.—5 percent; Martinez, 20 subs.—16 percent; Mission, 30 subs.—10 percent; Oakland, 35 subs.—5 percent; Richmond, 17 subs.—10 percent; San Francisco, 41 subs.—10 percent; Sunset, 48 subs.—17 percent.

SCOUTS

Scouts rendered conspicuous service during our recent stake conference. Jay Bastow, Bod and Huck Done, of Oakland troop 46, did traffic directing. Eugene Hilton, Raymond Booth and Joe-Roy Hilton of Dimond troop 72, acted as ushers and messengers. Splendid.

A Scout Rally and Field Day for all scouts of the stake, will be held at Mosswood park, Oakland, Saturday, Nov. 28. Events will begin at 2:30 and conclude with the Stake Priesthood meeting. Detailed programs will be sent to scoutmasters. All together now!

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NEWS FROM THE WARDS

DIMOND

Alton Olsen, our new scoutmaster, is planning a week-end trip to Tracy with his troop 72.

Bishop Thos. H. Robinson attended the general conference in Salt Lake City, Oct. 2-4. He reports a delightful trip and a splendid conference.

Fred Flinder and family will furnish the Sunday evening program Nov. 8th.

Elsie Cherrington, bee-keeper, entertained her swarm at her home. Fourteen M. I. A. girls were present.

Seven girls were graduated from the Primary to the Mutual Sunday, Oct. 18. Diplomas were awarded to Aurtence Cherrington, Lucille Morgan, Kathryn Kelley, Vivian Cherrington, Billie Clarke, June Olson and Barbara Berg.

Sunday School officers entertained for Clyde Summerhays and bride at the home of Chas. C. Cherrington. The bride was Miss Sarah Dixon of Provo, Utah.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray L. Brown of Salt Lake are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bromwell J. Cox, Mrs. Brown is a sister of Mrs. Cox.

MISSION

Mrs. Leila Edgar, former Relief Society president, has been called to the bedside of her mother in Salt Lake.

Virginia Christopherson became the bride of Dale Hill, Sept. 16.

Mission ward's first missionary, Elder J. E. Raine sailed Oct. 28 for the Society Islands in the South Pacific. He left for the training class in Salt Lake, Oct. 3, returning in time for his farewell Oct. 19. A fine program was rendered and he was given a purse of about $100.

The Book of Mormon class of Sunday School, led by Sister Bakenhus, enjoyed a swimming party on Columbus Day, Oct. 12.

SUNSET

Sacrament Meeting Programs

Nov. 1—M. I. A. Conjoint Program. Speaker Wm. T. Hicken of the High Council. Vocal Solo, Agnes Burr. Reading, Jean Kinkaid.

Nov. 8—Special services, I. B. Ball, speaker.

Nov. 15—Speakers, High Councilmen Fred Hoeft and George Bagley.

Nov. 22—President Birch and Missionaries, speakers. Vocal solo, V. I. Terry.

Nov. 29—Geneological Committee Program.

Mrs. Floyd Anderson has returned from Salt Lake City where she was called by the serious illness of her mother, whose health is now much improved.

Mrs. Ida C. Lund, sister of Mrs. H. E. Thomson, returned October 20th to Salt Lake.

A very enjoyable dinner party was given, in honor of Mrs. Louise Y. Robison, General President of the Relief Society, and Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Quealy, who returned recently from an extended tour of Europe, at the home of Bishop and Mrs. Carl Kjar, October 15, 1931. Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. Stephen H. Winter and Mr. and Mrs. Chester Walker. While in San Francisco, Mrs. Robison visited with her daughter, Mrs. Stephen H. Winter.

A Hard Times Ball given by the Gleaner Girls and M-Men, Friday, October 16th was well attended and all had a very enjoyable evening.

OAKLAND

An enthusiastic farewell party was given at the Oakland Chapel Friday night, October 23, for Elder Stanley Carr, who leaves soon for a mission to the Eastern States.

Elder Carr is the son of C. C. Carr, (former bishop of the Ward) now a member of the stake high council.

Dr. George Gibbs Smith, from Logan, Utah, brother of Pres. Mary S. Jordan of Relief Society has opened dental offices in the Franklin building.

RICHMOND

Mrs. Nettie Dewsnup, wife of Bishop C. M. Dewsnup has returned home from a local hospital.

Mrs. W. E. Zuppann of Ogden, Utah is visiting with her sister, Mrs. Albert Dietliker.

Leon Edlefsen has been made a member of St. Mary's sixty-five piece band.

Mr. and Mrs. John Brocklebank have moved to Tracy. Mrs. Brocklebank has been Relief Society Secretary for several years.

Ruth Savage Hilton of the Stake Board was the speaker at the anniversary celebration of the ward Relief Society, Sunday, Oct. 18th. A vocal solo by Mary E. Peterson also added to the enjoyment of the program.

BALBOA

Dr. Eugene Hilton and Sarah H. Carruth were the speakers at the evening services, Oct. 4th.

Gleaner Girls held their first outing of the season with a swim at Lurline, and a midnight supper at the home of Melissa Merrill.

J. Edward Johnson and Elmer Hinkson speakers the evening services of Oct. 11th. Incidently this was one of the best attended evening services for some time.

We take this opportunity to welcome Harvey Robinson into the church. Prior to his joining, he was an active worker in the M. I. A. taking part in many of its activities.

At a recent Primary meeting Pres. Alice Hicken was the speaker; in which she complimented Kate Sadler and her two counselors on the splendid work they are doing.

Mrs. Alfred Uligh has returned home after a six months sojourn in Europe. While in Germany she visited her parents whom she had not seen for over 20 years.

ELMHURST

Mrs. Adrian Schipper is recovering after two weeks illness.

Three baby girls arrived at Elmhurst homes during October: The Delbert F. Wright's, Nathan G. Tolman's and the Arthur Grix's. All doing nicely, thank you!

Mrs. N. E. C. Ream of Dingle, Ida. is visiting with her son, Dr. M. P. Ream of San Leandro.

John A. Peart and family and E. L. Nottage and family have gone to Utah in search of employment. They expect to return.

Miss Jayne Lloyd, Salt Lake City is visiting with her sister, Mrs. E. Kay Hanks.

Chester S. Staley is home again after several weeks in the Highland hospital.

Mrs. Alice Blake died Oct. 20 at the home of her daughter, Mrs. John Kleespie. The body was returned to Farmington, Utah for interment. The deceased is survived by 6 children, 34 grandchildren and seven great grandchildren.

BERKELEY

Sunday Evening Programs

Nov. 1—Mutual Conjoint My Trip to Europe by Garf Wilson. Vocal selection,Mrs. Lawrence Timpson. Musical Reading, Cleone Wilcox.

Nov. 8—Talks by Mrs. Richard W. Young Jr. and Leo H. Linford.

Nov. 15—Speakers, I. B. Ball and Frank Parsons of the High Council.

Nov. 22—Thanksgiving Program.

Nov. 29—Speaker, Francis M. Wilcox, former Bishop.

Miss Lois Krogue, Salt Lake City, will spend the winter in Berkeley visiting her sister, Mrs. Lucile Reams.

On October 9th Berkeley Ward presented a clever one-act play. Those in the cast were Katherine Smith, Wallace Lund, Edith Pyle and Ernest Mahl.

Huberta Berg won a part in the Berkeley High School Senior Play, Barrie's "Quality Street," and Katherine Smith was included in the Girls' Association Play "The Gate." Both girls won their parts in open competition. They have been active in Mutual dramatics. Congratulations.

SAN FRANCISCO

Since his return from the Central States Mission, Elder Evan C. Ray has been active in ward affairs. He is secretary of the Stake Genealogical Committee, and recently has been giving fine service with the trailbuilders group in the ward Primary.

The playlet "The Mystery Lady," was presented during the Activity period of the M. I. A. during a rally to aid the Era Drive. Miss Jean MacDonald was the leading lady, and the play was produced under the supervision of Leroy W. Lambert and Conan Mathews. Splendid work was done by the many others in the cast.

Mrs. C. W. Nalder and children, Martin, Beverly and Nadine have returned from Utah where they visited relatives and friends.

Miss Mary Byrd Lewis has been vacationing in Utah.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Hilder are visiting in Kaysville, and other parts of Utah. Mrs. Hilder was formerly Miss Laverna G. Webster of Kaysville.

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